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First Interrogation Report on Col. Helfferich, Otto		15 January 1954	
<p><b>PERTINENT INFORMATION</b></p> <p>This report contains information on the German Abwehr set-up in Italy and on German and Italian Personalities connected with it.</p> <p>Source: HELFFERICH HEIDSCHUCH, Erich</p> <p>Col. OC AST NUERNBERG till Allied occupation</p> <p>Age about 50</p> <p>About 1.81 m tall, well built, blond hair, blue eyes</p> <p>Lost right arm in last war.</p> <p>Record:</p> <p>Came to Italy in 1942 as III-H Naples under Helfferich, then moved to Merano in Jul/Aug 43 without appointment. In Nov. 43 given appointment of OC AST ARRAS, with the special task of safeguarding the security of V-Weapon production. After the Allied landing in the WEST he became OC AST NUERNBERG.</p> <p>HEIDSCHUCH, directly responsible to Source, was in charge of KO Italy. He was later assisted by COSSOVEL with the special task of port security at Naples. The staff of the KO was extended mid 42 by the arrival of DEGIVE as III-L CATANIA, later assisted by FUESCHEL. Both were responsible to Source through HEIDSCHUCH, and their main task was the security of all German forces in SICILY. In practice, this was almost exclusively continued to the prevention of and reporting on cable sabotage.</p>			
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